

ORDINANCE NO. G-06-07

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE PROVISIONS OF INDIANA CODE § 36-8-11-1, *et seq.*, AS AMENDED BY THE INDIANA GENERAL ASSEMBLY ESTABLISHING A FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT FOR GEORGETOWN TOWNSHIP, FLOYD COUNTY, INDIANA, AND PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF THE FIRE DISTRICT TRUSTEES OF THE GEORGETOWN TOWNSHIP FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GEORGETOWN, INDIANA, THAT:

Whereas, there currently exists a volunteer fire department in Georgetown, Indiana, known as the Georgetown Volunteer Fire Department, but due to uncertain economic support, the continuation of the present delivery of fire protection services is uncertain; and,

WHEREAS, Indiana Code § 36-8-11-1, *et seq.*, passed as the Acts of 1971, Public Law 289, Section 2, as amended, allows for the creation of fire protection districts; and,

WHEREAS, the Georgetown Town Board has received petitions from freeholders residing in Georgetown Township, requesting the creation of such a fire protection district; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Georgetown has determined that the petition bears the necessary signatures and complies with the requirements of law as to form and content; and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Georgetown, Floyd County, Indiana, based upon ordinance passed by the Town Council of said Town, have signed a petition requesting the creation of such a fire district, which petition the County Commissioners has reviewed;

WHEREAS, the creation of a fire protection district would be beneficial to all of the residents to be served within the geographical area of Georgetown Township; and,

WHEREAS, the creation of a fire protection district would provide financial stability for providing fire protection within the boundaries of the district; and,

WHEREAS, a hearing was held by the Board of Commissioners of Floyd County on the 17th day of January, 2006, to determine whether the Georgetown Township Fire district should be established; and

WHEREAS, no petition against the establishment of the fire protection district has been filed with the Board of County Commissioners of Floyd County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMIDSSIONERS OF FLOYD COUNTY, INDIANA , as follows:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to the provisions of Indiana Code § 36-8-11-1, *et seq.*, it is declared the intention of the Board of Commissioners of Floyd County, to allow freeholders of the territory served by the Georgetown Volunteer Fire Department to avail themselves of the provisions of said law and to participate in the operation of a fire protection district encompassing all of the territory contained within Georgetown Township, including the Town of Georgetown, in Floyd county, Indiana, as of the date of the passage of this ordinance.

SECTION 2. A fire protection district shall be, and is hereby, created for all of the territory within Georgetown Township, including the Town of Georgetown in Floyd County, Indiana.

SECTION 3. The name of the district shall be known as the Georgetown Township Fire Protection District.

SECTION 4. The purposes the district are as follows:

- (a) To ensure the adequacy of EMS and fire protection within the district;
- (b) To ensure the adequacy of fire prevention, identification and elimination of all potential and actual sources of fire hazard;
- (c) To ensure the capability for extinguishing all fires that might occur or might be reasonably expected to occur within the territory of the district; and,
- (d) To carry out all other purposes and functions related to EMS, fire protection and fire prevention.

SECTION 5. There presently exists sufficient need to establish such a district so as to maintain and expand revenues for the continuation of fire protection services and for

the improvement of the services in the foreseeable future and to facilitate future planning for the delivery of services on a reasonable basis.

SECTION 6. That the public health, safety, and welfare of the residents and property owners of the territory within Georgetown Township, including the Town of Georgetown, is served by the creation of a fire protection district.

SECTION 7. The operating costs for fire protection within the district are not conditioned upon receipt of federal or state grants.

SECTION 8. There shall be three trustees appointed to the Board of Trustees for the fire protection district, and such appointments shall be made in accordance with law by the County Commissioners within thirty (30) days after passage of this ordinance.

SECTION 9. The Fiscal Officers shall be bonded for \$100,000.00.

SECTION 10. The Fire District's main office shall be located at Georgetown Fire House #2, 5610 Corydon Ridge Road, Georgetown, Indiana 47122-9260.

SECTION 11. A copy of this ordinance, upon its passage and adoption, shall be certified to the following:

- (a) The Township Trustee of Georgetown Township;
- (b) The County Auditor;
- (c) The County Recorder;

ADOPTED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF GEORGETOWN of the County of Floyd, State of Indiana, this 17 day of January, 2006.

TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GEORGETOWN, INDIANA



GARY SMITH, President

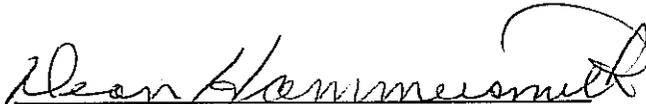


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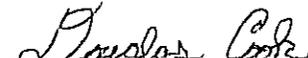


CHRIS CARTER, Member



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ATTEST:



DOUG COOK, Clerk-Treasurer